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26 March 1953

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25X1A9a 1. Met with Messrs. [REDACTED] Ashcraft, and Meloon, and [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to consider the case of [REDACTED] Office. It was agreed that since [REDACTED] had considerable knowledge of CIA and of several highly classified projects, and since we did not know accurately the extent of his illness we were justified on security grounds as a precaution to place him under the care of our cleared consultant, [REDACTED] and to pick up the check for a diagnosis and evaluation. It was also agreed and made clear to everyone that we were justified in picking up the check only for the period of diagnosis and evaluation, unless the results of same indicated positively, on security grounds, that we could continue payment, and that the case, otherwise, should be handled as a Bureau of Employees Compensation claim.

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After telephoning [REDACTED] Mr. Ashcraft [REDACTED] had been placed under the care of a Dr. Sedgwick who was highly recommended by our consultant, [REDACTED] and that it was preferred to leave him there. I emphasized to Mr. Ashcraft that if this were done the Agency could assume no financial responsibility and that if [REDACTED] would agree we would very much prefer to have him transferred to the care of our cleared consultant.

[REDACTED] is keeping in close contact with the Office of Operations on this case.

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3. Mr. Pforzheimer reports that General Cabell's Bill will probably be introduced in the House tomorrow.

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5. Mr. Peel was over to brief me on the formula which the Supergrade Board has agreed upon and to tell me that under this formula DD/A can fill eight existing vacancies. I asked him to give me a memorandum to this effect and to

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keep me more currently advised as to the deliberations of the Supergrade Board on which he is the DD/A representative.

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6. [REDACTED] was over to say that he planned to be very frank with General Cabell in his discussion with him and that he still felt that the Agency needed a substantial tightening up in checking on the manner in which it spent the taxpayers' money. I told him that I felt he should be entirely frank with General Cabell and that there was no reason whatever to hold back any of his conscientious feelings.

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7. Mr. Wolf and I talked to [REDACTED] about a Records Management Training Program. It was agreed that a series of presentations to key officials of the Agency would be made to launch this Program.

8. Spent some time with Larry Houston discussing the course which he is attending at Harvard. He is very enthusiastic and believes that this course should be a "must" for many of our senior officials in the Agency.

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9. Shef Edwards reports that at the request of [REDACTED] he visited the National Security Council to look over a new area into which they are moving and to make certain security recommendations. He has recommended that they not use a badge system in the daytime and that they put a guard post on at night. This will cost about \$12,000 a year. Shef is arranging to put one of his good, cleared guards on this post.

10. The ADD/A signed a letter addressed to the National Chairman of the American Cancer Society, Inc. (prepared for his signature by the Personnel Division) informing him that CIA has found it necessary to adopt a policy of formal participation in fund-raising campaigns for the Community Chest and the Red Cross only but that employees will be encouraged through the medium of an Agency "Notice" to participate if at all possible in the campaign being conducted by the Society. (ER-3-8206A)

11. In a memorandum to the Comptroller the ADD/A called his attention to the \$25,000 limitation of the contingency fund discussed in the Administrative Plan for Project [REDACTED] and directed as follows: "It is important that you pay attention to this aspect of the [REDACTED] budget when it is presented in the form of a Project and insure that the amount of this fund is within these limits and such other controls as the Project Review Committee or the Director may deem fit to impose." (ER-3-8448)

12. In a memorandum to the AD/P the ADD/A stated that effective immediately all letters of condolence will be released over the signature of the Director of Central Intelligence and that they will be addressed to the nearest rel-

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atives of any persons who die while employed with the Agency. Such letters will not be prepared when security considerations preclude identification of the Agency with the deceased individuals' former employment status. (ER-3-8382)

13. In a memorandum to the Secretary of Defense (Manpower and Personnel) the DD/A indicated total military personnel requirements of the Central Intelligence Agency during Fiscal Year 1954. (Memorandum was hand-carried by the Chief, Military Personnel Division) (ER-3-8436)

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